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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: NTO, FR

SUBJECT: FRENCH-FRG MILITARY OFFSET

REF: (A) PARIS 31869; (B) NATO 6006

MOD SOURCES INFORMED US THAT PARIS HAS NEVER APPROACHED THE FRG FOR AN OFFSET AGREEMENT TO COVER FRENCH MILITARY EXPENDITURES IN GERMANY. SEVERAL MONTHS AGO, HOWEVER, THE FRENCH ASKED THE FRG TO UNDERTAKE A BARRACKS REHABILITATION PROGRAM SIMILAR TO THAT INCORPORATED IN THE US-FRG OFFSET AGREEMENT FOR 1971-72. THE FRENCH REQUEST DID NOT SUGGEST A SPECIFIC AMOUNT OF MONEY; IT HAS NOT BEEN ACTED UPON BY MINISTER LEBER. OUR SOURCES SIAD THEY WERE SURPRISED THAT LEBER HAD RAISED THE MATTER IN THE NATO MINISTERIAL AND THEY EXPRESSED CONCERN THAT LEBER'S STATEMENT MAY RESULT IN UK, DUTCH OR BELGIAN REQUESTS FOR SIMILAR PROGRAMS. THIS WOULD OF COURSE PUT AN ADDITIONAL BURDEN ON FRG FINANCIAL RESOURCES. FOR THIS REASON, THEY DECLINED TO SPECULATE ABOUT THE FRG'S EVENTUAL ANSWER TO THE FRENCH, BUT NOTED  
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THAT FRENCH MILITARY BARRACKS IN THE FRG ARE IN POOR

CONDITION AND THERE SEEMS TO BE SUBSTANTIAL  
JUSTIFICATION FOR THE REQUEST. HILLENBRAND

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